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My dear Gray

I see in Hooker's herbarium that you have ascertained that the Indian *Lagenophora* as well as *L. Billroderii* v. DC. belong to *Spauchenus* - do you maintain the two genera as distinct - and do you consider the one from Malacca Hong Kong etc as distinct from the Sydney one? & what name do you give it? I should be very glad to have an early answer so as to be in time for that part of *Florula Hongkongensis* - If it be distinct from the Sydney one pray give me your char.

I am occasionally puzzled by *Orsted's* *Nicotiana Composita*, which I am working up - there is not much new but many that are difficult to make out - *Schlechtendalen's* *Racchosis scandens* (not taken up by De Candolle) and my *Dach. asperifolia* which is called but have generally from one to 5000 female fertile flowers in

the male head and one two male
in the female head thus making
a mesh of the generic character - Most
of Dr. Caudolle's herbaceous Mexican *Coryza*
or well as the European *C. ambigua*
have all the outer flower, ligulate
and belong really to *Erigeron* near
canadense *bonariensis* etc, whilst
C. lyrata has all the characters of
Blumea - indeed between *Blumea*
and *Erigeron Coryza* falls to the
ground unless with Sch. Bip we
suppress *Blumea* and consider the
great mass of them as true *Coryza* -
Then I know not what to do with
Gymnosia without any trace of
pappus and yet no *Wulffia* or
Montanoa

I have put up for you the
sheet you wish for of *M. Westlani*
I hope to receive the copy you
kindly send me in my next
parcel from town

Very thank Mr Cary for his
memorandum on Hartweg's
California *Porragium* I am
no doubt he is right and shall
feel thankful for any correction
to *Plantae Hartwegianae* which

I shall duly note in an Appendix
Many thanks for the
page which I may now
shortly expect.

I enclose specimens of *Jaggeria*
unioides which you most likely
have not got

With kindest regards to
Mr Gray
Yours very sincerely
George Donnell